

**Minutes - Board Meeting – 05/14/2014**

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Mineola held Wednesday, May 14, 2014 at Village Hall, 155 Washington Avenue, Mineola, New York 11501.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Scott P. Strauss  
Trustee Paul S. Cusato  
Trustee Paul A. Pereira  
Trustee George R. Durham  
Trustee Dennis J. Walsh

**ALSO PRESENT:** Village Attorney John M. Spellman  
Village Clerk Joseph R. Scalero  
Deputy Village Clerk Cora T. Kelly  
Superintendent of Buildings Daniel B. Whalen

**Press Observers:** *Mineola American*  
*Williston Times*

**Sunshine Observers:** 17 Observers

**Mayor Scott P. Strauss called the Public Hearing to order at 6:40 PM**

*A Public Hearing was held 6:40 PM at the Village Hall, 155 Washington Avenue, Mineola, New York, 11501 in order to receive public comment upon the following:*

**APPLICATION OF SMART BRAIN AMERICA FOR A SPECIAL  
USE PERMIT PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 550 OF THE CODE  
OF THE INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF MINEOLA,  
ENTITLED “ZONING”, SECTION 550.12 ENTITLED “B-1  
DISTRICTS”, SUBSECTION (B) ENTITLED “SPECIAL USES”  
TO ESTABLISH AN AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING PROGRAM  
IN ACADEMIC STUDIES FOR ELEMENTARY AND HIGH  
SCHOOL STUDENTS UPON THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS 345  
HILLSIDE AVENUE, MINEOLA, NEW YORK, KNOWN AND  
DESIGNATED ON THE NASSAU COUNTY LAND AND TAX  
MAP AS SECTION 9, BLOCK 271, LOT 106.**

*4 Speakers addressed the Board*

**Mayor Scott P. Strauss requested a motion to close the hearing and reserve decision at 8:20 PM.**

Motioned by Trustee Dennis J. Walsh  
Seconded by Trustee Paul A. Pereira

**Vote:**

**Yes**

**No**

**Abstain**

Mayor Scott P. Strauss  
Trustee Paul S. Cusato  
Trustee Paul A. Pereira  
Trustee George R. Durham  
Trustee Dennis J. Walsh

**Mayor Scott P. Strauss called the Work Session to order at 8:35 PM.**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Scott P. Strauss  
Trustee Paul S. Cusato  
Trustee Paul A. Pereira  
Trustee George R. Durham  
Trustee Dennis J. Walsh

**ALSO PRESENT:** Village Attorney John M. Spellman  
Village Clerk Joseph R. Scalero  
Deputy Village Clerk Cora T. Kelly

**Sunshine Observers:** No Observers

**Resolution No. 118-14**

Resolved to approve bills and payroll.

Motioned by Trustee Paul S. Cusato  
Seconded by Trustee Paul A. Pereira

**Vote:**

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee George R. Durham		
Trustee Dennis J. Walsh		

**Resolution No. 119-14**

Resolved to authorize payment to Pyro Engineering, Inc. for fireworks display at the Village of Mineola Concert in the Park, Friday July 11, 2014, at a cost of \$7,500.00.

Motioned by Trustee George R. Durham  
Seconded by Trustee Dennis J. Walsh

**Vote:**

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee George R. Durham		
Trustee Dennis J. Walsh		

**Mayor Scott P. Strauss requested a motion to go into Executive Session at 8:40 PM**

Motioned by Trustee Paul A. Pereira  
Seconded by Trustee Dennis J. Walsh

**Vote:**

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee George R. Durham		
Trustee Dennis J. Walsh		

**Mayor Scott P. Strauss requested a motion to come out of Executive Session at 9:05 PM.**

Motioned by Trustee Paul A. Pereira  
Seconded by Trustee George R. Durham

**Vote:**

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee George R. Durham		
Trustee Dennis J. Walsh		

Mayor Scott P. Strauss stated that no action was taken in Executive Session.

**Resolution No. 120-14**

Resolved that the Board of Trustees hereby approves the following agreements and authorizes the Mayor to execute same on behalf of the Village:

Letter of Understanding relative to the compensation and scope of duties of the Deputy Village Attorney assigned to represent the Mineola Architectural Review Board and the Mineola Planning Board;

Letter of Understanding relative to the compensation and scope of duties of the Deputy Village Attorney assigned to represent the Mineola Zoning Board of Appeals and to serve at Village Prosecutor in the Justice Court;

Letter of Understanding relative to the compensation and scope of duties of the Village Attorney; and

Letter of Retention for the firm of Spellman Rice Schure Gibbons McDonough Polizzi & Truncale, LLP as Special Village Counsel.

Motioned by Trustee Paul A. Pereira  
Seconded by Trustee Dennis J. Walsh

<b>Vote:</b>		
<u><b>Yes</b></u>	<u><b>No</b></u>	<u><b>Abstain</b></u>
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee George R. Durham		
Trustee Dennis J. Walsh		

**Mayor Scott R. Strauss requested a motion to close the Work Session at 9:06 PM**

Motioned by Trustee Dennis J. Walsh  
Seconded by Trustee George R. Durham

<b>Vote:</b>		
<u><b>Yes</b></u>	<u><b>No</b></u>	<u><b>Abstain</b></u>
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee George R. Durham		
Trustee Dennis J. Walsh		